

Authorizing The Chairman Of The Ulster County Legislature To Execute An Agreement With The New York State Office Of Indigent Legal Services For The Upstate Quality Improvement And Caseload Reduction - Amending The 2016 Ulster County Budget To Accept Additional Funding

Referred to: The Law Enforcement and Public Safety Committee (Chairman Briggs and Legislators Fabiano, Lapp, Maio and Rodriguez), and The Ways and Means Committee (Chairman Gerentine and Legislators Allen, Bartels, Belfiglio, Briggs, Maio, and Maloney)

Chairman of the Law Enforcement and Public Safety Committee, Thomas J. Briggs, and Deputy Chairman Ronald G. Lapp, Jr. offer the following:

WHEREAS, this resolution has been submitted by the County Executive on behalf of the Office of the Public Defender; and

WHEREAS, the Public Defender has requested that the Chairman of the Ulster County Legislature be authorized to execute an agreement (New York State Contract #C000651), and any amendments thereto, with the New York State Office of Indigent Legal Services for the purpose of Ulster County's participation in the New York State distribution of a portion of Indigent Legal Services funds; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of the Indigent Legal Services Fund is to improve the quality of mandated indigent legal representation and to reduce excessive caseloads in indigent legal service provider programs; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Chairman of the Ulster County Legislature is hereby authorized to execute an agreement, and any amendments thereto, with the New York State Office of Indigent Legal Services for the purpose of Ulster County's participation in the distribution of Indigent Legal Services Fund, for the period of January 1, 2014 through December 31, 2016, in the form as filed with the Clerk of the Ulster County Legislature, or as modified with the approval of the County Attorney in consultation with the Chairman of the Legislature and the Chairman and Deputy Chairman of the Law Enforcement and Public Safety Committee,

and move its adoption.

ADOPTED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: 23 NOES: 0

